

April 13, 2010

***Ex Parte***

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

**RE:** *Application of Verizon Communications Inc. and Frontier Communications Corporation for Consent to Transfer Control of Domestic Section 214 Authority, WC Docket No. 09-95*

Dear Ms. Dortch:

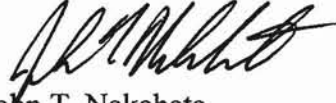
On April 12, 2010 and April 13, 2010, Kathleen Abernathy, Chief Legal Officer of Frontier Communications Corp. ("Frontier"), and I, on behalf of Frontier, and Karen Zacharia and Donna Epps of Verizon, met with Paul de Sa, Chief, Office of Strategic Planning and Policy Analysis ("OSP"), Zachary Katz, Deputy Chief, OSP, and Nicholas Alexander, Associate Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau ("WCB"). We also met separately with Christi Shewman, Legal Adviser to Commissioner Baker, Angela Kronenberg, Acting Legal Adviser to Commissioner Clyburn, Jennifer Schneider, Legal Adviser to Commissioner Copps, and Angela Giancarlo, Chief of Staff to Commissioner McDowell, about the above-referenced proceeding. Specifically, we told the FCC participants that Verizon replicated and placed into operation the customer-facing retail and wholesale operating support systems for the states other than West Virginia. These replicated systems completed extensive testing, the results of which were validated by a third party reviewer as required by several state commissions. The replicated systems will transfer to Frontier upon close and the personnel that operate them will continue as employees of Frontier. In West Virginia, Frontier and Verizon continue to progress in preparing for the systems cutover at close, and Frontier has already completed two mock conversions. In addition, pursuant to the West Virginia settlement with certain CLECs, CLECs will begin their own testing of Frontier's wholesale systems in the last week of April. We also discussed the fact that New Communications Holdings had arranged the financing necessary to close the transaction, at interest rates below the threshold in the Merger Agreement.

We also emphasized that this transaction remains the best way to increase broadband deployment within these areas – and Frontier will do so as a part of its business plan for these acquired areas. In preparation for acquiring these new areas, Frontier has been holding job fairs. Attached is one example of an announcement of job fairs in West Virginia. We urged the Commission to act promptly to grant its consent to the assignments and transfers of control, which has been pending for nearly eleven months.

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A copy of this letter is being filed in the above-referenced docket.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John T. Nakahata', written in a cursive style.

John T. Nakahata  
*Counsel to Frontier Communications Corp.*

Attachments

cc: Nicholas Alexander  
Angela Giancarlo  
Zachary Katz  
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